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## RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Communication mailed February 23, 1999 applicants herewith provide a fuller response to the election requirement. Namely, applicants elect the following species:

From Group 1, applicants elect the species concerning cardiac work (power) means. Claims 6, 22 and 36 read on this species. From Group 2, applicants elect the heart stimulation species. Claims 1-15, 18-26, 28-32 and 34-36 read on this species. From Group 3, applicants elect the inspiration and expiration determining means species. Claims 1-36 read on this species.

The Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned in the Netherlands at 011-43 31 3-566-566 (subject to a six hour time difference) to discuss any matters which may aid in passing the case to issue or the examiner may leave a voice mail message for the undersigned at 612-574-3279. Direct all correspondence to the address below.

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